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Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

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Entity	Limited Liability Company	Citizenship	Colorado
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Applicant Information

Application No	85235062	Publication date	06/14/2011
Opposition Filing Date	07/07/2011	Opposition Period Ends	07/14/2011
Applicant	Sinclair, Gary Harold 11203 Ranch Road 2222, Apt. 2501 Austin, TX 78730 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 014.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Bracelets; Bracelets made of leather, rubber silicon, or metal; Charity bracelets; Key chains as jewellery; Necklaces; Pendants; Rubber or silicon wristbands in the nature of a bracelet

Grounds for Opposition

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)	
Other	The Opposed Mark so closely resembles Swarner#s previously used mark that its use, in connection with the goods aforementioned, is likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake or deceive, in violation Section 43(a) of the Trademark Act of 1946, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a).	

Mark Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Application	85305041	Application Date	04/26/2011
No.			

Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	KEEP CLIMBING		
Design Mark	KEEP (CLIM	BING
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 041. First use: First Use: 2002/06/00 First Use In Commerce: 2002/06/00 EDUCATIONAL AND ENTERTAINMENT SERVICES, NAMELY PROVIDING MOTIVATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL SPEAKERS IN THE FIELD OF CANCER SURVIVORSHIP, HOPE AND OVERCOMING CHALLENGES; ORGANIZING OF SPORTS EVENTS, NAMELY CLIMBING EVENTS Class 042. First use:		
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Date	07/07/2011

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Serial No. 85/235,062 in the		
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Applicant.	:	
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In the Matter of Application

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

Swarner Expeditions, LLC, a Colorado Limited Liability Company, (hereinafter "Swarner") with an address of Box 3051, Breckenridge, CO 80424, believes that it will be damaged by registration of the mark KEEP CLIMBING (hereinafter the "Opposed Mark") for: "Bracelets; Bracelets made of leather, rubber silicon, or metal; Charity bracelets; Key chains as jewellery; Necklaces; Pendants; Rubber or silicon wristbands in the nature of a bracelet" in International Class 14 as set forth in Application Serial No. 85/235,062, filed on February 5, 2011, and published on June 14, 2011 (hereinafter the "Application"), owned by Gary Harold Sinclair, with an address at 11203 Ranch Road 2222, Apt. 2501, Austin, Texas 78730

(hereinafter the "Applicant"), and hereby opposes the same. As grounds for this opposition, it is alleged that:

- 1. Since long prior to the filing date of the Application, Swarner has extensively used, advertised and promoted the mark KEEP CLIMBING (hereinafter the "KEEP CLIMBING" Mark) for a variety of services in International Classes 41 and 42.
- 2. Swarner is the owner and user (by assignment or otherwise) of U.S. Application No. 85/305,041, filed on April 26, 2011 for KEEP CLIMBING for, "Educational and entertainment services, namely providing motivational and educational speakers in the field of cancer survivorship, hope and overcoming challenges; organizing of sports events, namely climbing events" in Class 41 and "providing temporary use of non-downloadable software to enable uploading, capturing, posting, showing, editing, playing, streaming, viewing, previewing, displaying, tagging, blogging, sharing, manipulating, distributing, publishing, reproducing, or otherwise providing electronic media, multimedia content, videos, movies, pictures, images, text, photos, user-generated content, audio content, and information via the internet and other communications networks" in Class 42.
- 3. A printout from the electronic database of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office showing the current status and title of the application listed above is attached as **Exhibit A** to the Notice of Opposition.

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- 4. By virtue of the uncompromising and prestigious quality of the services provided, advertised, and promoted under the KEEP CLIMBING mark and by virtue of the extensive promotion and advertising of such high quality services for more than nine years, the KEEP CLIMBING Mark has become well known and have acquired extensive recognition and strength
- 5. Upon information and belief, Applicant has not yet started to use the Opposed Mark in U.S. commerce, and therefore does not have a priority date earlier than February 5, 2011, the Application's filing date.

throughout the United States.

- 6. Applicant has no connection whatsoever with Swarner and no permission or license was given by Swarner to Applicant to use the Opposed Mark.
- 7. Swarner's use of the KEEP CLIMBING Mark in connection with goods in International Classes 41 and 42 is such that members of the public will perceive the Opposed Mark in close proximity with the Swarner Mark and mistakenly assume that the Opposed Mark emanates from Swarner.
- 8. The Opposed Mark so closely resembles Swarner's previously used mark that its use, in connection with the goods aforementioned, is likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake or deceive, in violation Section 43(a) of the Trademark Act of 1946, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a). Purchasers likely will assume that Swarner is somehow affiliated with, licenses, or endorses, Applicant's use of the Opposed Mark when Swarner is not connected in any way with Applicant or the use of the Opposed Mark.

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9. The Opposed Mark so closely resembles Swarner's previously used marks that its

use, in connection with the goods aforementioned, is likely to cause confusion, or to cause

mistake or deceive, in violation Section 2(d) of the Trademark Act of 1946, 15 U.S.C. §

1052(d). Purchasers likely will assume that Swarner is somehow affiliated with, licenses, or

endorses, Applicant's use of the Opposed Mark when Swarner is not connected in any way with

Applicant or the intended use of the Opposed Mark.

10. The registration of the Opposed Mark will be inconsistent with Swarner's rights

in the KEEP CLIMBING Mark, the application pleaded above and Swarner's rights at common

law and will be damaging to Swarner.

WHEREFORE, Swarner prays that this opposition be sustained and registration on the

Application be refused.

Respectfully submitted,

Swarner Expeditions, LLC

Date: July 7, 2011

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EXHIBIT A

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Mark

KEEP CLIMBING

(words only): KEEP CLIMBING

Standard Character claim: Yes

Current Status: New application will be assigned to an examining attorney approximately 3 months

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Date of Status: 2011-04-29

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LAST APPLICANT(S)/OWNER(S) OF RECORD

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Legal Entity Type: Limited Liability Company State or Country Where Organized: Colorado

GOODS AND/OR SERVICES

International Class: 041 Class Status: Active

EDUCATIONAL AND ENTERTAINMENT SERVICES, NAMELY PROVIDING MOTIVATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL SPEAKERS IN THE FIELD OF CANCER SURVIVORSHIP, HOPE AND OVERCOMING CHALLENGES; ORGANIZING OF SPORTS EVENTS, NAMELY CLIMBING EVENTS

Basis: 1(a)

First Use Date: 2002-06-00

First Use in Commerce Date: 2002-06-00

International Class: 042 Class Status: Active

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Basis: 1(b)

First Use Date: (DATE NOT AVAILABLE)

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